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Hongkong, 18th January, 1889.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1889.

TELEGRAMS.

(From Straits Times.)

EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, 26th January.

An English missionary and sixteen followers have been massacred by Zanibar Arabs.

LOSS OF THE "GLENCOE."

A telegram has been received in the colony announcing the total loss of the "Glencoe," a steamer of 1,000 tons, in consequence of a collision off Beachy Head, in the English Channel. We regret to have to report that the steamer was run into and immediately afterwards went down. The "Glencoe" arrived in London from the Far East (Manila) a fortnight ago, and it is surmised that she was en route to Glasgow, in ballast, when the disaster occurred.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

LEUT. GENERAL CAMERON, it gives us great pleasure to be able to announce, is very much better, having made immense improvement since yesterday.

The champion jockey of the China Mail fears that "the fate of the Panama Canal Company is sealed." And now we may just as well conclude by singing a funeral hymn.

We would call attention to the concert to be given to-night in the St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, by Madame Korff and Mlle. Maillard, as per advertisement in another column.

We are requested to state that the amount taken by Mrs. Jameson at the Al Fresco Fete was \$2,175 instead of \$1,329 as originally given in the statement of account. The difference between these amounts was inadvertently credited to "Tickets."

As will be seen from a notice in our advertising columns, the next meeting of the Hongkong Literary Society will be held at No. 12, Bank Buildings on Monday next, the 11th inst., at 8.45 p.m. The subject for debate will be "The Advantages and Disadvantages of Travel."

BEFORE the Editor of the Straits Times again tackles the question of "The Hongkong Coolie Trade" he will be wise to come along here and personally investigate the subject. When he quotes the London and China Express as an authority he simply shows that he knows nothing about it.

THE *Amoy Gazette* of the 4th inst. says:—We regret to have to chronicle the death of Mr. Alexander Milne, lately of the Amoy Dispensary, which occurred at Huenstein's Hotel on Saturday morning. His remains were interred in the Kowloon Cemetery yesterday at 8 a.m. and were followed to the last resting place by some of the deceased's friends. Mr. Milne leaves a widow to mourn for his loss.

The next football match will be played on the Causeway Bay ground, under Association rules on Monday next, the 11th inst., between the Club and a team of Sergeants from the 91st Regiment, the play to commence at 4.30 p.m. sharp. The following will play for the Club:—E. A. Rain, E. J. Young, R. E. J. Wilkie, E. Evans, S. Macdonagh, R. E. J. P. Brewin, R. E. M. Blair, R. E. (Captain), A. H. Maclean, R. Ross, Thomson, S. McNair, H. S. Woodcock, R. A.

Our evening contemporary never mind the why or wherefore—suspects that Mr. Parnell's action against the *Times* in Edinburgh has been dismissed "on a point of law." *The Daily Mail* Men have been tarred and feathered before now for indulging in such diabolical suspicions. But perhaps in this case *le feu n'en vaut pas la chandelle*. We quote a French proverb as we suspect the missionary Editor would be at sea with a Greek one—and we have valid evidence that he does not understand English.

MEMBERS of the Cricket Club who wish to enter for the Tennis Single Handicap are reminded that the lists now lying in the Hongkong Club and Cricket Pavilion close on Monday next at 6 p.m.

AMONG the passengers per the Austro-Hungarian steamer *Maria Teresia* which arrived this morning from Trieste, were Prince Saphira, Baron von Biegeleben, Austro-Hungarian Minister, and Chevalier and Lady de Borkenau.

TO-MORROW morning between 9 and 10.30 o'clock the steam-launch carrying the Bethel flag will call alongside any vessel hoisting code pennant C, to convey men ashore to a.m. service at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, returning about 12.30.

In answer to "Horse Marine" we regret our inability to say why the Naval Ball was not reported by the *Daily Press* and *China Mail*. Our idea is that no representative of *Granny* was present, and that the *Fried Fish* was a man, whose sturdy shanks were a conspicuous ornament to the ball-room, does not possess sufficient *savoir* to report anything outside the unsavoury clothes-washing of the Sanitary Board.

A SERVANT at Murray Barracks this morning charged Private Hubart, of the 91st Regiment, with assaulting him. He alleged that on the 4th inst. defendant told him to get a bottle of Old Tom, and kicked him on the seat of honour because he refused. Another boy said that Hubart had treated him similarly just before. The defendant denied all knowledge of the assault, and called evidence to show that he was in his room when the alleged assault was committed. Mr. Wodehouse dismissed the case.

We decline to give any opinion on Mr. Caldwell's withdrawal from the *Pacific* case, or on Mr. Robinson's course of action, which led to the split between solicitor and counsel, until the matter has been definitely settled. This will answer several correspondents. At the proper time we shall not hesitate to express our opinions on what is certainly a matter of considerable general importance. The time would appear to have arrived when lawyers must understand that they are the servants of their employers, and not independent autocrats.

THE *Foochow Echo* of the 2nd inst. gives the following, as the Foochow tea export for the 5th January:—

For London: Per S.S. *Stentor*, 312,623 lbs. " *China Wo*, 72,718 " *Glenae*, 350,887 "

For Hongkong: Per S.S. *Glenearn*, 22,854 "

For America: Per S.S. *Glenearn*, 3,608 "

For Western Australia: Per S.S. *Glenearn*, 3,989 "

For New York: Per S.S. *Stentor*, 26,541 "

A VERY funny scene occurred in the Central Police Station a little before noon to-day. A crowd came up to the Magistracy from Chinatown, and as they stopped at the gate a little wizened old woman, something over four feet high, emerged, firmly grasping the queue of a big young coolie, who laughed shamefacedly as she marched him excitedly to the railing. She still stuck to his back-hair as she told the highly-amused assembly how she had lent him \$4, and how he wouldn't her pay back, yanking his head down occasionally to emphasize her words. He said he had repaid her son—she, with a vicious jerk, said he hadn't. When the inspector could get a word in edgewise he told them to go away, and she hauled her prisoner back, pointing her finger up at him threateningly all the time she was in sight.

THE *Manila Daily* of the 5th inst., to hand by the *Zafra*, gives the following particulars of the wreck of the Spanish transport *Remus*:—"The *Remus* left Manila on the 26th January on her postal trip to the South-east end of the Archipelago, having on board 119 soldiers with their respective officers and various other passengers whose names we would rather not mention, for reasons easy to understand. The steamer was going along the Coast of Manilla, when at 6 on the morning of the 30th, a violent shock was felt, and in a few minutes water was seen rushing into the hold and cabins. It is hardly possible to describe the shipwreck occurring within such a short time. Our readers may imagine the confusion, the agony, and the sufferings among her numerous passengers. Many were victims; their number reached 42, a smaller figure than one would anticipate from the total number of human beings who crowded the ill-fated steamer. We tender our heartfelt condolence to the families who have lost some dear member of theirs by this untimely disaster. The gunboat *Argos* rendered all possible help to the survivors and conveyed them to the district town of Samar. We are informed that among the victims are two monks, a military surgeon, and a commandant."

PORTUGUESE youths are evidently fond of flowers. Two of them, named Romualdo da Souza and Maximiano da Cunha, paid something over \$70 to Her Majesty's Treasury to-day for gratifying their taste at the public expense. Last night Sergeant Witcheil was passing the Albert Road entrance to the Public Gardens when a gang of lads ran out of the gate, as though scared by the sound of some one else. On seeing the Sergeant they separated, and he followed three of the runaways. They dropped a number of flower-roots, and showing better speed than the myrmidon of the law, he called out that he would shoot unless they gave up, and then two of them stopped. One had several roots in his handkerchief. They projected that they had been induced to carry them by the other boys, but this yarn was too thin and they were taken to the Police Station. Mr. Westland, the head gardener, was informed of the affair, and on investigation found that lot of pansies, daisies, lilies, heliotropes, &c., out of five boxes below the fountain, had vanished. The culprits were brought before Mr. Wodehouse this morning and, in addition to the foregoing facts being stated, evidence was given that similar damage had been done before, and that the beds were quite disfigured, as the stolen roots could not be replaced. Mr. Wilkinson appeared for the defendants and pleaded their youth and innocence, talking of them as though they were children who had escaped from their amiable and pious parents. Mr. Wodehouse passed for an exemplary punishment, two months' imprisonment, telling the delinquents that they could not rob and disgrace the Public Gardens with impunity, and that he had some doubts whether he ought not to commit them for trial at the Supreme Court on a charge of larceny. With reference to this case we have to add that the two "injured innocents" are overgrown youths, who certainly ought to have known better, and we commend the magistrate for leaving very practically shown that larcinists, which in this case degenerated into common theft, will not be tolerated in this British colony. If there is anything less than a horse-whip or bamboo in the residences of Masters de Souza and da Cunha, we strongly recommend that these two young blackguards be treated to an intimate acquaintance with these articles of correction for their future guidance.

REAR-Admiral Ralph Chandler, of the U. S. Navy, and Mrs. and Miss Chandler, who arrived yesterday by the *Corvette Marion*, are staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

We are sorry to learn that the colony has been deprived of the light of the countenance of Mr. Francis, Q.C., for the next three weeks, the learned counsel, tempted by a big retainer, having proceeded to British North Borneo by the steamer *Meinon* to defend a Dutchman who is accused of having murdered a Chinese. We are also sorry for the litigants in this colony from whom Mr. Francis has accepted fees, and who are now left to their own devices.

A SUB-LEADER in last night's *Brownie* concludes as follows:—"If we did fall back, there is some hope now to believe that what we did was to *retard your mixer sander*." Hurray! three times hurrah! And now we back to offer a new copy of Lindley Murray's best edition to any one of our numerous readers—and they are as the sands on the sea shore—who can tell us what the long-eared rooster who wrote the foregoing extract meant to convey. "Brownie" might certainly to acquire the art of walking (in the literary line) before he attempts to run without assistance.

A SCOTCH SAILOR named Latson got drunk last night, and after having a row with his 'rickshaman' struck a Sikh constable who interfered, breaking a tooth. He was afterwards locked up, and had an interview with Mr. Wodehouse this morning. He admitted the assault, but said with an air of sincerity, that the Sikh struck him several times and twisted his arm "fit to break it." Mr. Wodehouse didn't believe him. We do. We have the Government word for it that the Sikhs are often wantonly brutal to their prisoners, and we have seen frequent examples of it ourselves, because it leaves no marks. We recollect that a while back there was considerable ferment in—we believe—Rangoon, because the native and Indian constables took advantage of their position to assault Europeans on the pretence of arresting them. Another time we hope that a little further inquiry will be made when prisoners—especially white men—complain of this highly-improper treatment.

THUS the *Sydney Bulletin*—There is jubilation in Auckland (N.Z.) in Japan and pique, circles; to pique-makers about with glee and all the piques and mortars sing together for joy, while the rival sawbones smile the dislocated smile of malice and envy.—Dr. Bond, late of the Auckland Hospital, and Miss Crisp, lady superintendent of the same bower of bliss have just been married. The average jilt would doubtless remark that Miss Crisp has entered the bonds of matrimony—not being the average jilt, we forbear. The local paper gushes over the "sweet simplicity" of the affair. Some of the following particulars are culled from the journal in question: On the marriage morn the lady went about her household duties, gracefully, as a leech here and the stomach-pump applied. Then she measured the various blouses. It may be she was slightly more profuse with the soap and suds than usual, and that her hand trembled with generous emotion as she gurgled out the cod-liver oil, otherwise this heroine evinced no emotion. When she was through with the diurnal pills and plasters she tripped lightly into the hospital ambulance, and was "toted" by a festive grave-digger to the mortuary chapel, where the nursing staff in heavy marching order, and carrying bouquets of roses and dandelions, together with some of the undertakers of duty, bidden with funeral wreaths, awaited her. The lady, unlike most similarly circumstanced heroines, was not attired in a simple black-rose with one priceless diamond in her hair, but in a nurse's uniform. On her left breast glittered the Zulu, Sudan, Turkish, Indian, and Crimean medals, while the Royal red cross, the label of Coddle's pills set in jewels, and other decorations were grouped loosely around her. "Colonel" Haulian, a venerable militia relic, gave the bride away, while it took two able bodied Anglican psalm-singers to perform the operation and securely fasten the bandages. The wedding presents were mostly surgical instruments. After the ceremony the happy pair drove off amid a shower of crushed lilies, to witness a delightful amputation. We somehow fail to catch on to the "simplicity" of this turn-out, but congratulate Dr. Bond on having snatched an advertisement both cheap and crisp. Oh! no cards!

Our morning contemporary is quite right in adhering to the version given by the *Macao* correspondent of the preparations that are going on in the neighbouring city of Chin-san, and the consequent suspension of the new income-tax regulations by the Macao authorities. In preference to the vitiated and twisted information generally supplied by the semi-official *Independente* to its readers the *Daily Press* has wisely stuck to its own Correspondent. The inspired *Macao* organ has thought it political or polite to contradict, in its usual rough style, the news we also received to the effect that the proposed new system of taxation had been temporarily repealed in view of the attitude assumed by the said much abused community. The news we published emanated from a source that could not possibly have been mistaken or misinformed; consequently the *Independente's* vapourings were simply ridiculous and only tended to show that organs of old policy of mutilating facts and leading its readers into error. We have more than once expressed our opinion that the Chinese community of the neighbouring colony cannot show better respect for the new system of taxation which has been planned for them, than by levitating *in massa* from their present haunts and migrating to the territory of the land property of the Holy City. This we still maintain is the only alternative left to the *Macao* Chinese. The *Macao* Treasury is entirely dependent on the native gambling, opium and food monopolies take away *Fa-tan* and *Pak-o-pis*, Opium, Salt and other licenses, and the *Macao* financiers are completely at sea. The colony could not exist for six months without Chinese contribution. The whole trade of *Macao*, whatever it may be worth, is in Chinese hands; the *Macanists* do nothing, own nothing in their classic land, most of the landed property of the Holy City has long ago passed into Chinese hands, and it is long odds that the original owners will ever retake possession of their forfeited birthrights. Under these circumstances, no wise policy could have been devised by the Government than that of oppressing the Chinese with a new system of industrial taxation, and no better thing could the Chinese inhabitants of *Macao* do than shake the dust off their sandals at the gates of the Holy City, the moment they found themselves unjustly oppressed. We should very much like to see what would become of the *Macanists* if the *Opium* path, when it becomes untenable by the native community. Of what avail would the illustrious *Macanists*, its pious senators and its starboarded Governors be, when they shall have nobody to represent, administer, or govern? This is a problem that may meet with a far-sighted solution than either the *Macao* authorities, or their much-codded organ, the *Independente*, can probably guess.

MANILA papers inform us that Charin's Circus will shortly proceed to Batangas, Iloilo and other centres in the Archipelago, where they intend giving performances.

We shall esteem it a great favor if the *China Mail*, when it avails itself without acknowledgment of news published in our columns, will present the same to the "one reader" clothed in decent English. If it is impossible to make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, a fair imitation of the genuine article may be produced by great care. Try it, "Brownie," try it!

THE POPOW CASE.

M. Popow had the dock quite select when he called on Mr. Wodehouse's establishment this morning. A considerable number of Europeans, some of whom he had subpoenaed, were present, but the proceedings were brief and unsatisfactory. Mr. Wodehouse intimated to Mr. Webber, the prosecutor, that although Mr. Pollock was ill he would take any evidence that was put forward and then further remand the case.

Mr. Webber replied that a remand would be necessary, as Mr. Tremlett had not arrived. A telegram had been received from him, in which he said that Popow's statements were quite untrue.

Mr. Wodehouse—I have nothing to do with that, of course, I am only dealing with your case.

The prisoner was then remanded for a week. He left the Court with a jaunty smile as though perfectly satisfied.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting, to be held at the offices of the General Agents, at noon, on Monday, the 18th of February, 1889:—The General Agents beg to submit to the Shareholders their report on the working of the Refineries, and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1888. The Refineries at East Point and Bowington have been constantly employed during the period under review, and the working Account shows a very satisfactory result.

Inclusive of \$11,604.43 brought forward from last year and of \$90,000 paid as an interim dividend of \$6 per share on the 24th of August last, the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, is \$237,100.07, which the General Agents and Consulting Committee recommend should be appropriated as follows:—Interim Dividend of \$6 per share, paid 24th August, 1888, \$90,000.00 Dividend of \$8 per share making \$14 for the year, 120,000.00 To apply towards reduction of Pro-
perty Account, 20,000.00
Carry forward to next Account, 7,100.07
\$237,100.07

Most of the consuming markets have been active during the year, and the results of shipments are therefore unusually good.

Outstanding shipments are moderate, and the proceeds will, it is estimated, fully cover the amount of this asset.

In consequence of the decaying condition of many of the wooden beams in the East Point and Bowington Refineries it was decided to replace them by iron ones, and advantage is now being taken of the stoppage for annual overhaul to carry out the work, the estimated cost of which is about \$10,000.

The General Agents regret that there is no immediate prospect of resuming work at Swatow with any advantage.

PROPERTY ACCOUNT.
There remains portion of the Wanchai Property has been disposed of at \$2 per square foot, but as delivery has not yet been completed the proceeds do not appear at credit in the 1888 Accounts.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.
During the year Mr. E. A. SOLOMON has been invited to take the place of Mr. F. D. Sassoon on the Board and Mr. J. B. Elias has resigned his seat.

AUDITORS.
The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. T. Arnold and Fullerton Henderson, and the General Agents have pleasure in recommending their re-election.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1889.

Balance Sheet—One Year, to 31st December, 1888.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Property Account, consisting of:—
East Point Refinery, 1,287,624.53
Bowington Refinery, 1,356.09
Swatow Refinery, 3,086.51
Wanchai Property (remainder), 484,189.85
Hongkong Distillery, 255,364.30
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, 474.76
Cash, 141,248.03
Raw Sugar, 34,997.81
Refined Sugar, &c., 347,045.91
Spirits and Rum, 141,248.03
Coals, Charcoal, Stores, Fire Insu-
rance, 34,997.81
Shipments, 347,045.91
\$1,580,263.69

LIABILITIES.

Paid-up Capital, \$1,500,000.00
Sundry Creditors, 933,163.62
Balance of Profit and Loss, \$237,100.07
Less:—
Paid for addition to Machinery, &c., for East Point Refinery and Distillery, 3,054.16
By Amount appropriated towards reduction of this account as per Report of 10th March, 1888, 20,000.00
Balance at debit, 1,507,624.53
\$1,507,624.53

PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

To Balance at Debt on 31st Dec. 1887, \$1,504,570.37
Paid for addition to Machinery, &c., for East Point Refinery and Distillery, 3,054.16
\$1,507,624.53

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To Commission, \$24,652.36
To Remuneration to Consulting Committee, 4,000.00
To Auditors' Fees, 1,000.00
To Interest Dividend of 5 per cent. paid on 24th August, 1888, 90,000.00
To Net Balance, 147,100.07
\$264,752.43

By Balance at Profit and Loss, \$1,504,570.37
Carried forward last year, 17,494.23
By Interest, 17,494.23
By Net gain on working, 236,697.77
\$264,752.43

Hongkong, 9th February, 1889.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

We have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Company, and certify that the above Statements are in accordance therewith.

THOS. ARNOLD,
F. HENDERSON,
Auditors.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, January 16th.
A letter from Stanley written from Boma, and one written from Banya to Tippoo Tib, dated 17th August, have been received in Brussels. From these letters it appears that Stanley had left Emin Pasha on the Nyansa 82 days previously, and had arrived at Boma with two hundred of Emin's men. All were well. He recommended Emin to stay quiet for a few months so as to enable him (Stanley) to fetch up the men and goods he had left at Yambung. Stanley intended to start for Yambung on 28th August.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 17th.
Prince Dolgorouki has started for Tcheran. BERLIN, January 17th.
Dr. De Friedberg, Minister of Justice, who was a confidant of the late Emperor Frederick, has resigned. His name appeared in Professor Geffcken's letters.

SUAKIN, January 17th.
A spy who was despatched by the Egyptian Government to the Equatorial Provinces has just returned, having left Khartoum last Christmas. He states that Lupton Pasha is dead, but that the reported surrender of Bahar el Ghazal to the dervishes was merely a rumour, and that the garrison still holds out.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 18th.
The *Novos Vremya* states that a Bokharan mission is expected at St. Petersburg charged with the mission of inducing Russia to give back Samarkand in exchange for a large Bokharan frontier province.

LONDON, January 19th.
Mr. John Wilson, the Gladstonian candidate, has been elected for the Govan division of Lanarkshire, having defeated Sir John Pender, the Unionist candidate, by a majority of 1,070 votes.

Major Claude Macdonald has been appointed British Special Commissioner in West Africa to co-operate with the German Commissioner and inquire into the differences which have arisen in the Niger territory with Germany.

SUAKIN, January 19th.
According to basrah rumours here the dervishes are concentrating at Khartoum prior to an advance on Dongola. The Mahdi has declared that he will attack Egypt. Reinforcements have left Khartoum for Osman Digna's forces.

WASHINGTON, January 20th.
Secretary Bayard has received advices that the Americans who were seized and made prisoners by the Germans in Samoa were immediately released, and that all is now quiet there.

Cairo, January 20th.
The Egyptian Government have received news which tends to prove that Emin Pasha had met with no reverse up to the beginning of November.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, 6th February, 1889.
The superstitious native mind is much disturbed at recent ominous signs it recognizes as presaging impending danger to the State with the ushering in of the year of the Emperor's accession. The fearful famine devastating the northern provinces of China is bad enough, but when this was followed by the burning of the Imperial palace, and succeeded by the riot at Chinkiang, full ruin is given to the gloomy prognostications of these croakers of ghouls: trouble in store for the youthful occupant of the Dragon Throne. In this latter connection, it would seem fortunate at a crisis like that which has occurred at Chinkiang, that the community had such an experienced and reliable leader amongst them as General Ap Jones, the United States Consul. Few men in this part of the world have been so familiar with dangers of every description, and have lived so adventurous a life. Two eventful instances will suffice to indicate this—the first, that the gallant general rode at the elbow of Stonewall Jackson, when that noble soldier fell; the other that he fought beside the Emperor Maximilian when he was captured, and by the merest chance escaped stardling beside that unfortunate Prince in front of the execution fire on the plains of Mexico.

General Jones is of Welsh extraction, and is an admirable specimen of the American cavalry officer, possessing all that polish and tact so characteristic of the chivalry of what were known as the Southern States. Notwithstanding the affliction in the North of China it is pleasing to be able to record a probably more than average year of prosperity in the south, especially when compared with that which has just closed. Out of their better lot it is to be hoped the people of Southern China will do something worthy of the occasion towards assisting in alleviating the sufferings of their less fortunate fellow countrymen. Little has been done at present towards this end, and there is suggestive irony in the fact that at the moment the British colony of Hongkong has benevolently contributed a sum of \$10,000 towards the relief of the distress in the North, the people intended to be benefited thereby should be burning and roasting Foreign property at Chinkiang and Tientsin, and the British Consulate in particular.

The binding scheme has been referred by telegram to Peking by the Viceroy for sanction. His Excellency has evidently become alarmed at the contention his pet scheme is likely to arouse, and prefers to proceed with Imperial support. The Yau-tai, or Lieutenant-Governor, visited Shamien on Thursday and returned the Consul New Year call. The Foreign Customs are making a survey (I of Shamien, whether in anticipation of "gross lifting" or not, is not quite apparent. The said survey, however, is hardly being conducted on strictly Ordnance survey principles, a tape line and lump of chalk forming the surveying paraphernalia. Primitive, isn't it? Every one must regret the accident to General Cameron and desire the gallant General's speedy restoration to health. At the same time, the conviction forces itself upon one of the appropriateness of your remarks about the "wearing of helmets" by soldiers in recent times, for the Head-quarter House, heights near to the Commander-in-Chief, notwithstanding his outwardly splendid physique.

TONQUIN.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Haiphong, 5th February, 1889.
The first steamer built in Tonquin, the steam-ship *Lady*, constructed by Messrs. J. B. G. & Co., after a short trial trip in Haiphong, has been ordered to leave for Saigon, and will be followed by a second steamer, the *Deuxieme*, on the 10th inst.

and left the other day on her first voyage, the route being Ha-Duong, the Seven Pagodas, and Phu-Lang-Thuong, the time of her departure being dead low water, and her draft 2 feet 8 inches.

The *Lady* is 105 feet over all and 20 feet beam, and is the first steamer of her dimensions which has succeeded in passing the Son-tam-bac at low tide, the windings of this creek being very sharp and frequent, and the depth of water so little that at times the *Lady* was actually walking her wheel over several inches of mud, leaving traces on either side like a steam digger. Some difficulty was here encountered by the engineers in keeping water in the boiler, the cocks and roses on the ship's bilge being immersed in liquid mud. Once in the river and fairly under weigh a mean speed of 9 miles an hour was easily kept up and the different posts reached at the appointed hours. The steering qualities of the ship are all that could be desired; going ahead she turns in one and a half lengths, and astern in two lengths, being completely under control of the steersman in either direction.

The engines worked steadily 27 revolutions with 80 lbs. steam pressure, there being no heating or undue vibration. They consist of two 10-in. cylinders, 26 in. stroke, acting direct on the paddle shaft, the feed pumps and blowers being worked off eccentrics on the shaft of the exhaust, is led direct to a galvanised steel feed heater, specially designed by Mr. Jack, the Superintendent Engineer, for this system of engine, the feed water being pumped into the boiler at 200 deg. Fahr.; little loss of water occurs, as a portion of the exhaust steam is condensed by coming in contact with a jet of cold water on entering the heater, the waste vapour causing at the same time a strong draft in the funnel. The consumption of coal is considered very light, being only 24 tons per 24 hours.

The *Lady* is fitted with every comfort and convenience for passengers, the captain's cabin and the saloon on the spar deck being upholstered in crimson velvet, with folding beds forming the backs to the cushions in the daytime; there is sleeping accommodation for thirteen persons; two private cabins are fitted about the saloon while right aft are the lavatories, etc.; pantry and kitchen. The saloon and cabins are heated by steam tubes, the cold at this season in the high delta of Tonquin being intense.

In front of the saloon and immediately behind the steering gear is a large space for a promenade, greatly appreciated by passengers, the usual bullet shields being fitted on the sides as a protection against piratical attacks.

On the main deck forward is the boiler, which is fired from the fore part, while right aft are the engines, the smoke-hole and engine room being protected in the same manner by steel plates. The engineers' quarters, kitchen for crew and deck passengers, etc., are also situated aft, there being ample space for horses and troops.

The cargo hold extends from the fore-castle to the engine room, the store and mail room at giving a very large cargo space for a boat of her size, the registered tonnage by the Government being a trifle over 80 tons.

Two composite boats of the same class, 135 feet long by 24 feet beam, will be commenced at the work-shops of Messrs. Marty and d'Abadie for their service, the necessity of having very light draft steamers in these rivers becoming a *sine qua non*. The new steamers will be built to draw 22 inches, and to steam 11 knots.

TROTTER WONDERS.

SENSATIONAL FEATS OF THE PAST YEAR.

After a season covering six months, and crowded with sensational performances, the trotting year may now be considered as ended. All the great events have been decided, and probably no brilliant record will be obtained until next spring. There is still some work being done by the horses in California and in

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—173 per cent. premium, sales and sellers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$120 per share, sellers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$80 per share, sellers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 290 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$120 per share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 97 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Insurance Company—\$165 per share, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$375 per share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$84 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 34 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$220 per share, ex. div. buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—175 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$170 per share, nominal.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—124 per cent. dis. buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$70 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$210 per share, buyers.
 Luon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$90 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$97 per share, sellers.
 Mengkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$124 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$104 per share, buyers.
 Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$5 per share, nominal.
 Punjom and Sanghie Dui Samantan Mining Co.—\$11 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—91 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Tongkin Coal Mining Co.—100 per cent. premium, buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—250 per share, nominal.
 The East Asiatic Co., Limited—\$50 per share, sell.
 The Seng Kee Planting Co., Ltd.—\$42 per share, sellers.
 Crutcher & Co., Ltd.—\$45 per share, sellers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—20 per cent. dis. buyers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—30 per cent. prem., sellers.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/4
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/4
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/4
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/4
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/4
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/4

ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 3/4
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/4
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/4
 ON INDIA, T. T. 218
 On Demand 220

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 7 1/2
 Private, 30 days' sight 7 1/2

EXPORT CARGO.

Per *Chingwa*, str., for London—(Tels) 397 boxes Congo, 8,337 lbs.; 1,018 boxes Scented Capers, 21,378 lbs.; 550 boxes Scented Orange Pekoe, 11,550 lbs.; 430 bales Waste Silk, 1,643 rolls Matting, 27 cases Bristles, 214 cases Palm Leaf Fans, 170 cases Preserves, 200 cases Soy, 40 packages Merchandise, 11 packages Furniture, 20 bales Hammocks, 102 cases Black Wood Ware, 9 cases Rattan Ware, 11 cases Copper Ware, 4 cases Paper, and 103 packages Cans. For New York—35 bales Silk. In Transit—60 packages Tea.

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul..... \$680
 (Allowance, Tels 4 to 32).
 OLD MALWA, per picul..... \$690
 (Allowance, Tels 16 to 32).
 NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest..... \$580
 NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest..... \$582
 NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest..... \$575
 NEW BEXAR, (without choice) per chest..... \$570
 NEW BEXAR, (bottom) per chest..... \$570
 NEW BEXAR, (best quality) per picul..... \$550
 OLD PERSIAN, (best quality) per picul..... \$500
 OLD PERSIAN, (second quality) per picul..... \$475

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
 The M. M. steamer *Yangtze*, with the French mail, left Singapore on the 8th instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 16th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The P. M. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with the American mail of 15th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 9th instant, at daylight, and is expected here on or about the 15th.

The O. & O. S. Co.'s steamer *Arabia*, with the American mail, left San Francisco on the 24th ultimo, and is due here on the 16th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
 The steamer *Parthia* left Vancouver for Japan and China on the 22nd ultimo.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The *Shire* line steamer *Cardiganshire*, from London, &c., sailed from Singapore for this port on the 2nd instant, and is expected here on the 9th.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Monius*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 3rd instant, and is due here on the 10th.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Antenor*, from London, left Singapore on the morning of the 5th instant, and is due here on the 12th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Rhinus*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 7th instant, at may be expected here on the 13th.

The *Union* line steamer *Highland*, from London, left Singapore for this port on the 7th instant, and may be expected to arrive on the 13th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

DUBURG, German steamer, 921, C. F. Bertelsen, 8th Feb.—Bangkok 31st January, Rice—Melchers & Co.
 ARCHOS, British bark, 419, C. Hansen, 8th Feb.—Amoy 6th February, Coal—Chinese.
 MARIA TERESA, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 2,011, F. Cotschick, 9th Feb.—Trieste 10th Dec., and Singapore 2nd February, General—Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.
 NAMOA, British steamer, 863, T. G. Pocock, 9th Feb.—Fuchow 5th February, Amoy 6th, and Swatow 8th, General—D. Lapraik & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Camorta, British steamer, for Singapore, &c. *Biagno*, Italian steamer, for Singapore, &c. *Haibong*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. *Cicero*, British steamer, for Saigon. *Kong Beng*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. *Anna Bertha*, German bark, for Takao.

DEPARTURES.

February 9, *Taiwan*, British steamer, for Port Darwin, &c.
 February 9, *Biagno*, Italian steamer, for Singapore, &c.
 February 9, *Batavia*, British steamer, for Nagasaki, &c.
 February 9, *Camorta*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
 February 9, *Loosang*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Duburg*, str., from Bangkok—1 Chinese.
 Per *Maria Teresa*, str., from Trieste, &c.—H. E. von Diegel (Austro-Hungarian Minister), Prince Saphira, Count de Borkenau and Lady, Mr. and Mrs. Haarsmann, Messrs. Mansel Dawkin, R. M. Reismann, Harrison, George, and 204 Chinese.
 Per *Namoa*, str., from Fuchow, &c.—Mrs. Walkinshaw, Miss Piersdorf, Bishop Chausse, Messrs. Weeks, Platt, Best, and 80 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Camorta*, str., for Singapore—2 Europeans and 71 Chinese.
 Per *Biagno*, str., for Singapore—20 Chinese.
 Per *Loosang*, str., for Swatow, &c.—1 European and 100 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Haibong*, str., for Swatow, &c.—Mr. Sung Mien Chi, 2 Europeans and 150 Chinese.
 Per *Cicero*, str., for Saigon—12 Chinese.
 Per *Kong Beng*, str., for Swatow, &c.—60 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The Austro-Hungarian steamship *Maria Teresa* reports that she left Trieste on the 10th December and Singapore on the 2nd instant. Had strong north-east monsoon.
 The British steamship *Namoa* reports that she left Fuchow on the 5th instant. Experienced strong north-east winds and thick rainy weather to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 6th, and Swatow on the 8th. From Amoy to Swatow had moderate north-east winds and fine weather, and from Swatow to port had moderate north-east winds with thick rainy weather. In Fuchow, the Chinese revenue cruiser *Liung-feng*, and the steamship *Puyew*. In Swatow, the steamship *Yik-sang*.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Saigon—Per *Cicero*, to-morrow, the 10th instant, at 9 a.m.
 For Manila—Per *Zafiro*, on Monday, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m.
 For Shanghai—Per *Ningpo*, on Monday, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m.
 For Haiphong—Per *Clara*, on Monday, the 11th instant, at 5 p.m.
 For Swatow, Amoy, & Fuchow—Per *Namoa*, on Tuesday, the 11th instant, at 5 p.m.
 For Europe, &c., India, via Bombay—Per *Peninsular*, on Wednesday, the 13th instant, at 11 a.m.
 For Yokohama and San Francisco—Per *Belgia*, on Wednesday, the 13th instant, at 3 p.m.
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Ancona*, on Friday, the 15th instant, at 5 p.m.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
 AIRLIE, British steamer, W. Ellis, 5th Feb.—Sydney 17th Jan, via Townsville, Cooktown, and Thursday Island 25th, General—Russell & Co.
 APENRADE, German steamer, 1,473, Hohlmann, 21st Jan.—Nagasaki 17th Jan, Cool—Wiel & Co.
 ABERGELDIE, British steamer, 1,878, J. Murray, 7th Feb.—New York 6th Dec., Petroleum and General—Russell & Co.
 BELGIC, British steamer, 4,211, W. H. Walker, 7th Feb.—San Francisco 3th Jan, and Yokohama 26th, Mails and General—O. & O. S. N. Co.
 BENJOLIE, British steamer, 1,105, R. Farquhar, 5th Feb.—Kobe 29th Jan, General and Coals—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 CHINA, German steamer, 1,093, P. Have, 4th Feb.—Saigon 30th January, General—Woo Lee.
 CICERO, British steamer, 1,030, George, 1st Feb.—Bangkok 23rd January, Rice and Wood—Chinese.
 CLARA, German steamer, 674, Christensen, 7th Feb.—Haiphong 5th Feb, General—Siemssen & Co.
 DECIMA, German steamer, 965, W. Breilupp, 28th Jan.—Singapore 18th Jan, Sugar—Siemssen & Co.
 DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, J. M. Marquez, 1st Feb.—Manila 29th Jan, General—Brandao & Co.
 DORIS, German steamer, 771, F. Raben, 1st Feb.—Quinhon 27th Jan, and Touron 29th, Salt—Wiel & Co.
 FALLABAI, British steamer, 1,068, W. B. Harding, 3rd Feb.—Marseilles 6th Nov, and Saigon 28th January, Petroleum—Hewitt & Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 FALKENBURG, German steamer, 880, H. Weber, 24th Jan.—Holtow 23rd Jan, General—Melchers & Co.
 FOCK-CHING, British steamer, 77, A. Christian, 7th Feb.—Fuchow 5th Feb, General—Kaw Hong Take.
 FREJA, Danish steamer, 399, C. A. Lund, 5th Feb.—Haiphong 3rd February, General—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 HALOONG, British steamer, 783, J. S. Keach, 3rd Feb.—Swatow 6th Feb, General—D. Lapraik & Co.
 KONO BENO, British steamer, 862, R. Jones, 24th Jan.—Bangkok 22nd Jan, Rice and General—Yuen Fat Hong.
 MELITA, German steamer, 330, H. Mörck, 9th Jan.—Haiphong 5th Jan, Rice—Wiel & Co.
 METAPEDIA, British steamer, 454, J. B. Purvis, 3rd Feb.—Nagasaki 29th January, Coals—Yakusima Colliery Co.

HONGKONG—STEAMERS.

Continued.
 NINOPO, German steamer, 762, Schulz, 7th Feb.—Whampoa 7th Feb, General—Siemssen & Co.
 PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, W. H. Watson, 6th Feb.—Bangkok 30th Jan, General—Yuen Fat Hong.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 PROPONTIS, British steamer, 1,387, G. Hensley, 8th Feb.—Kobe 2nd Feb, Coals and General—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
 PROVINCIA, British steamer, 1,095, Mackenzie, 29th Jan.—Kudat 8th Jan, and Singapore 21st, Timber—Captain.

TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,500, A. Varden, 13th Jan.—Wellington, N.Z., 24th Nov, and Sourabaya 25th Dec, General—Butterfield & Swire.

TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,109, T. H. Clegg, 3rd Feb.—from Sourabaya, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.

TRITOS, German steamer, 1,142, A. Bleicken, 4th Feb.—Saigon 29th Jan, Paddy—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, McCallin, 8th Feb.—Manila 5th Feb, General—Russell & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ADAM W. SPIES, American bark, 1,171, A. D. Field, 22nd Jan.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 3rd Dec, Coals—Russell & Co.
 ANNA BERTHA, German bark, 493, H. Nielsen, 2nd Feb.—Keelung 31st January, Coal—Russell & Co.
 AUGUSTA, German bark, 473, Jensen, 5th Dec.—Hilo 18th Nov.—Sanpanwood—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

BENGALE, British bark, 444, Scott, 17th Jan.—Singapore 24th Sept, Timber—Melchers & Co.

COLOMA, American bark, 852, C. M. Wages, 24th Dec.—Portland (Oregon) and Nov. Lumber and Spars—Captain.

EME, British bark, 778, W. Summers, 23rd Jan.—London and October, General—Melchers & Co.

ERIKONTO, Chinese bark, 457, Optum Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island—Chinese Customs.

ESCORT, American bark, 616, Waterhouse, 20th Jan.—Honolulu 14th December, Ballast—Captain.

JOHN NICHOLSON, British steamer, 685, W. Quine, 18th Dec.—Honolulu 16th Nov, Ballast—Captain.

MERCURY, British schooner, 361, David Thomas, 4th Feb.—Freemantle 22nd Dec, Sandalwood—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,467, Nickels, 1st Feb.—Shanghai 27th Jan, General—Pustau & Co.

Masonic.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525.
 AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY NEXT, the 11th February, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
 Hongkong, 7th February, 1889. [183]

ST. JOHN LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 618, S.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 12th instant at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
 Hongkong, 6th February, 1889. [177]

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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1888. [158]

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WOO LUN YUEN, Secretary.
 HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1889. [175]

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Glenlyon	London	February 9th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Cardiganshire	London	February 9th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Menclaus	Liverpool	February 10th	Butterfield & Swire.
Antenor	London	February 12th	Butterfield & Swire.
Khiva	Bombay	February 13th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
City of Peking	San Francisco	February 13th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
Highfield	London	February 15th	Russell & Co.
Yangtze	Marseilles	February 15th	Messageries Maritimes.
Parthia	Vancouver	February 16th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Arabia	San Francisco	February 26th	O. & O. S. S. Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Peninsular	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 13th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Deucalion	Butterfield & Swire.	To-morrow.
London, via Suez Canal	Glenavon	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Feb. 15th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Messageries Maritimes	Messageries Maritimes.	Feb. 20th, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call.	Braunschweig	Melchers & Co.	Feb. 17th, at 10 a.m.
Trieste, via Straits, &c.	Maria Teresa	Austro-Hung. Lloyd's Co.	Feb. 13th, at noon.
New York	Strathleven	Adamson, Bell & Co.	February 18th.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	City of Peking	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Feb. 21st, at noon.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	Belgic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Feb. 13th, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via A. & C.	Parthia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Mar. 7th, at noon.
Port Darwin, &c.	Taiyuan	Butterfield & Swire.	Feb. 20th, at 4 p.m.
Sandakan, Kudat, &c.	Provincia	Melchers & Co.	About Feb. 17th.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Ancona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 16th, daylight.
Yokohama, Kobe, &c.	Cardiganshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	To-morrow.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Yangtze	Messageries Maritimes.	About Feb. 16th.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Menclaus	Butterfield & Swire.	February 12th.
Shanghai	Achilles	Butterfield & Swire.	February 12th.
Shanghai	Antenor	Butterfield & Swire.	February 14th.
Shanghai	Ningpo	Siemssen & Co.	Feb. 11th, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Zafiro	Russell & Co.	Feb. 11th, at 4 p.m.
Haiphong	Clara	A. R. Marty	Feb. 12th, daylight.
Coast Ports	Haibong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, daylight.
Coast Ports	Namoa	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Feb. 13th, daylight.

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 Hongkong, 24th December, 1888. [37]

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STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.
 Hongkong, 2nd September, 1888. [42]

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 JAMES WATTS, Manager.

Messrs. WILSON & Co., Agents, Tientsin.
 Taku, 13th October, 1888. [17]

MASONIC HALL, 1889.

A MASONIC BALL, under the Auspices of the DISTRICT GRAND LODGE of Hongkong and South China, will be held at the CITY HALL, on FRIDAY, the 15th February.

Brethren desirous of inviting Guests, are requested to send the names of their friends to the undersigned.

The Subscription is limited to \$10 for Masters and \$5 for each Guest invited (non-Masons).
 A. F. WOOLLEY, Hon. Secy.
 Hongkong, 25th January, 1889. [100]

NORTH CHINA Famine Relief Fund.
 THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be happy to RECEIVE SUBSCRIPTIONS to the above fund and transmit same to the Shanghai Committee.
 Hongkong, 30th January, 1889. [151]

THE SONGEI KOYAH PLANTING CO., LIMITED.
 Hongkong, 25th January, 1889. [142]

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, at 12.30 p.m.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., General Managers.
 Hongkong, 4th February, 1889. [171]

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